REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application, as amended, is respectfully

requested. Claims 8-13, 18, 23-25, and 39-42 of the present application are

currently pending. Claims 8-13, 18, 23-25 and 39-42 have been allowed. Claims

19-22 and 26-38 have been cancelled. There are no claims still under rejection and

the remaining claims have been allowed, thus placing the application in condition for

allowance.

35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejections

Claims 19-22 and 26-38 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as

failing to comply with the written description requirement. In light of the amendment,

the rejection is most and removes the last pending rejection of the application.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant has noted, with appreciation, that the Examiner has allowed claims

8-13, 18, 23-25 and 39-42.

Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for

allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or

assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call Neal

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3), applicant(s) hereby request and authorize the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to (1) treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for extension of time as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time and (2) charge all required fees, including extension of time fees and fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

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